

# THE SPRINGS

a newsletter from the town of holly springs, north carolina

## November 2014

### calendar

Mon., Nov. 3	Monday Movie, 10am, CC Mah Jongg Club, 1pm, CC (Both Held Weekly)
Tues., Nov. 4	Discovering Nature, 10am, BL Puppet Theatre, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH Photo Club, 7pm, BL
Wed., Nov. 5	Bridge Club, 10am, CC (weekly) Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL Avent Ferry Meeting, 5:30pm, CC
Thurs., Nov. 6	Swordfighting, 6:30pm, CC
Fri., Nov. 7	Family Fun Night, 6pm, BL Art Reception, 6pm, CC Creedence Clearwater Revival 7:30pm, CC
Sat., Nov. 8	Kidpower Safety, 10am, CC
Tues., Nov. 11	Veterans Day—Offices Closed Veterans Ceremony, 10am, VP
Wed., Nov. 12	Balloons & Magic, 9am, CC Garden Club, 7pm, BL Board of Adjustment, 7pm, TH
Thurs., Nov. 13	Senior Gaming, 2pm, CC Recreation Board, 7pm, TH Wildlife Club, 7pm, BL
Sat., Nov. 15	Kidpower Safety, 10am, CC Toddler Exploration, 10am, BL
Sun., Nov. 16	60 Seconds or Less, 3pm, BL
Tues., Nov. 18	H.S. Bookworms, 7:30pm, CC Puppet Theatre, 11am, CC Town Council, 7pm, TH
Wed., Nov. 19	Senior Bingo, 1pm, BL
Thurs., Nov. 20	Explore-a-Story, 10am, BL
Tues., Nov. 25	Bunco for Seniors, 2pm, CC Utility Bills Due Planning Board, 7pm, TH
Thurs., Nov. 27	Thanksgiving—Offices Closed
Fri., Nov. 28	Holiday—Town Offices Closed
	Bass Lake (BL)    Hunt Center (HC) Town Hall (TH)    Cultural Center (CC) Sugg Farm (SF)    Veterans Park (VP)

## moving on Avent Ferry

Learn details about an upcoming project to reduce congestion at N.C. 55 and Avent Ferry Road on Wednesday, Nov. 5 at Holly Springs Cultural Center.

Drop in anytime between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 5. See plans and speak with staff from the town and the state Department of Transportation.

Construction is scheduled to begin next June on new lanes, medians and signal light timing at the intersection. The purpose is to

help left turns from Avent Ferry Road onto N.C. 55 toward Apex during the morning rush and to aid right turns back onto Avent Ferry in the evening.

The project will provide more green time for those left turns by eliminating some of the less popular turns and through-movements at the intersection. A new free flow lane will help right turns from 55 onto Avent Ferry.

Completion is expected in November 2015. Both roads are part of the state's road network. The N.C. Department of Transportation is responsible for maintenance of both roads and has authority over changes.

For years, we have pressed the case with NCDOT for projects to relieve worsening congestion on Avent Ferry Road.

We secured \$1 million in state funding for the intersection changes while committing approximately \$600,000 in town funds to make the project "a go."

To start sooner, our Engineering Department is handling administration of project design and construction. Ordinarily, NCDOT would do that.

For more information on the intersection changes, see the Engineering Department section of [www.hollyspringsnc.us](http://www.hollyspringsnc.us).

**NC 55 / Avent Ferry Road  
Information Meeting  
Wednesday, Nov. 5  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Holly Springs Cultural Center**

## keeping our market in season

Don't be sad, Holly Springs Farmers Market fans. You won't have to wait until Season 9 opens on May 2, 2015 for your "market fix!"

Our Planning and Zoning staff, which manages the Farmers Market, chose some of their customers' favorite vendors to extend Season 8 through winter with an indoor market. It will be held at Holly Springs Cultural Center at 301 Ballentine St.

The Winter Market will be from 10 a.m. to noon one Saturday per month through March. Except for December, it will be on the fourth Saturday morning of the month. In December, the market will be held Dec. 20 to avoid conflicting with the Christmas holiday.

As in the regular season, the Winter Market will feature goods from local producers. Even though it will be the dead of winter, there are plenty of natural, homemade, hand-crafted and locally-grown goods to be had. These include pastries and baked goods; cheeses; fresh and dried mushrooms; North Carolina honey; gourmet pastas and sauces; all-natural fresh meats; farm fresh eggs; ready-made foods; and homemade dog treats.

Winter dates are Nov. 22, Dec. 20, Jan. 24, Feb. 28 and March 28. On Nov. 22, planning staff will be in the Cultural Center lobby to answer questions from residents on development topics.

# leaving your leaves for us

We're heading into the busy season for leaf collection, so it's an appropriate time for a few friendly reminders.

First, the volume of leaves and other yard trimmings coupled with days off for holidays affect the timing of leaf pickup November through January. Our Public Works crews are working their way through town as quickly as they can. Please be patient with them.

Second, we vacuum leaves and any grass clippings. So it's important to keep tree branches, rocks and other large materials out of leaf piles so they don't damage equipment

and slow crews down. Leaf piles with other debris in them cannot be collected.

Third, pile leaves away from storm drains and ditches, preferably at the edge of the yard and out of the street. Debris that clogs storm drains can cause streets to flood. Remember, what goes down storm drains flows to our water supplies.

Consider composting leaves for an excellent source of landscaping material.

To report dumping down a storm drain or to learn more about storm water issues, call our Engineering staff at (919) 567-4027 or e-mail [stormwater@hollyspringsnc.us](mailto:stormwater@hollyspringsnc.us).

Days for leaf collection on your street may vary during this busy time of year. We ask for your patience.

## joining the parade

Entries for this year's Happy Holly Days Christmas Parade are due Monday, Nov. 24.

The 2014 parade will be Saturday, Dec. 13, beginning at 11 a.m. The town and Kiwanis Club of Holly Springs sponsor the parade.

For more details and how to enter, look under Quick Clicks atop the home page of [www.hollyspringsnc.us](http://www.hollyspringsnc.us). You can also call Town Hall at (919) 552-6221.

## holidays

### Veterans Day Tuesday, Nov. 11

- ◆ Town Hall Closed
- ◆ Hunt Center Closed
- ◆ Cultural Center Closed
- ◆ Bass Lake Park Office Closed

Solid Waste Collection Unchanged

### Thanksgiving Thursday, Nov. 27

- ◆ Town Hall Closed
- ◆ Hunt Center Closed
- ◆ Cultural Center Closed
- ◆ Bass Lake Park Office Closed

### Friday, Nov. 28

- ◆ Town Hall Closed
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Solid waste collection delayed 1 day on Thursday and Friday routes.

## honoring service

**Veterans Day  
Ceremony  
Tues., Nov. 11  
10 a.m.  
Veterans Park**



Holly Springs will honor those who have served in our nation's armed forces during the town's annual Veterans Day ceremony on Tuesday, Nov. 11.

The brief ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. in Veterans Park at 600 Bikram Drive.

Leading it will be members of the Police Department and senior scouts from Boy Scout Troop 356. All veterans are cordially invited to attend.

## in the works

Change continues to accelerate at North Main Athletic Complex, where tennis courts and lighted, synthetic turf soccer fields are under construction in the first phase of the new park. The fields will be used for town recreation programs and rentals. Wake Futbol Club is paying for part-time usage.

## stocking holiday joy for kids in need

We're partnering with New Horizons Fellowship Church in Apex again this holiday season to help children of local families in need have a brighter holiday season.

Beginning Friday, Nov. 21 in the Town Hall lobby, pick up Christmas tree tags with a child's age and gender. The suggested price range for donated toys is \$15 to \$20. They should be brand new and still in the box.

Please return all unwrapped toys by Monday, Dec. 8.

Volunteers will pick up the gifts the following day and deliver them to New Horizons Fellow-

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